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THE TOBACCO BUSINESS.

T. P. Ryan Tells of Agreement Between American and British Companies.

New York, Oct. 2.—An authorized statement regarding the agreement between the American and British tobacco companies was made today by Thomas P. Ryan, who returned on Tuesday from London. As to the conditions under which the new agreement was formed, Mr. Ryan said today:

"The agreement made between the representatives of the Imperial Tobacco Company of England on the one hand, and the Consolidated Tobacco Company on the other was mutual in its character, and entirely satisfactory to both sides. It was accomplished by friendly conference after full consideration of the interests of all parties affected. The agreement has an international character, which has not belonged, I think, to any previous trade arrangement. The Consolidated Tobacco Company will pursue its business in the United States field, including not only this country, but Cuba, Porto Rico, the Hawaiian and the Philippines without competition from the English company. The Imperial company will not encounter the competition of the American company in England and Ireland, Scotland and Wales. The British company has one-third of the stock, and the American has two-thirds. The board of directors consists of six representatives of the British company and 12 of the American, with Mr. Duke as its president, who remains abroad to perfect the organization. This British-American company will take over the entire business of the Imperial company, and of the Consolidated company in all foreign countries, and in the

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colonies of Great Britain, including India, Canada and Australia."

TO TEST DEFENDER.

Columbia Will Be Placed in Commission to Sell Against New Boat.

New York, Oct. 2.—It has been ascertained without a possibility of a doubt, says the Herald, that the America cup defender, Columbia, will be placed in commission early in the spring to become one of the trial boats for the new yacht that will be built by the Harrah brothers, if the races for the trophy take place as announced next season.

CHURCH AND DIVORCES.

Davenport, Ia., Oct. 2.—Bishop Theodore N. Morrison, in a circular letter issued to the clergy and laity of the Iowa Episcopal church, announces that hereafter he will not go behind the record of the courts in divorce cases. Divorced persons who have secured decrees on any other ground but infidelity are prohibited from marrying again. The practice of hearing testimony of infidelity at the request of the divorcee who has failed to plead statutory grounds is abolished.

DREYFUS ON ZOLA.

Paris, Oct. 2.—The Betele this morning publishes a letter from Dreyfus, received in reply to his request for a few lines on Zola. Dreyfus says: "The moment is too good and my grief too great for me now to speak publicly of the great and noble friend I have just lost."

THE CONFERENCE ON THE COAL STRIKE

OFFICIAL STATEMENT
ISSUED THIS AFTERNOON

President Roosevelt's Remarks at the Opening of Meeting With Operators and Miners' Official.

(Associated Press.)
Washington, Oct. 3.—The second step in President Roosevelt's efforts to effect a settlement between the anthracite coal magnates and the miners was taken today. At ten o'clock every person who had been invited to participate, except President Oliphant, of the Delaware and Hudson road, who sent as his personal representative David Wilcox, vice-president and general counsel of the road, and President Cassatt, of the Pennsylvania road, was present in the room of the temporary executive mansion where President Roosevelt, since his return from Indianapolis, has transacted such necessary public business as could not be postponed. The President, during the conference, was seated in a large invalid chair, his left leg resting upon a cushion. The President most cordially greeted each of his guests as appeared. When all were assembled, he stated to them in a brief, preliminary way, his object in calling them together.

Fully realizing the importance of the communication that he was about to make, the President had prepared a carefully worded paper, setting forth in detail his position on the controversy. The President said:

"I wish to call your attention to the fact that there are three parties affected by the situation in the anthracite trade: The operators, the miners and the general public. I speak for neither the operators nor the miners, but for the general public. The questions at issue which led to the situation affect immediately the parties concerned—the operators and the miners; but the situation itself vitally affects the public. As long as there seemed to be a reasonable hope that these matters could be adjusted between the parties it did not seem proper to me to intervene in any way. I disclaim any right or duty to intervene in this way upon legal grounds, or upon any official relation that I bear to the situation; but the urgent and the terrible nature of the catastrophe impending over a large portion of our people in the shape of a winter fuel famine, impel me, after much anxious thought, to believe that my duty requires me to use whatever influence I personally can to bring to an end a situation which has become literally intolerable."

"I wish to emphasize the character of the situation and say that its gravity is such that I am constrained urgently to insist that each one of you realize the heavy burden of responsibility upon him. We are upon the threshold of winter with an already-existing coal famine, the future terrors of which we can hardly yet appreciate. The evil possibilities are so far reaching, so appalling, that it seems to me that you are not only justified in sinking but required to sink for the time being any tenacity as to your respective claims in the matter at issue between you. In my judgment the situation imperatively requires that you meet upon the common plane of the necessities of public. With all the earnestness there is in me, I ask that there be an immediate resumption of operations in the coal mines in some such way as will, without a day's unnecessary delay, meet the crying needs of the people."

"I do not invite a discussion of your respective claims and positions. I appeal to your patriotism, to the spirit that seeks personal considerations and makes individual sacrifices for the general good."

When the President had concluded the reading of his statement, he said that he did not expect that either party would be ready to submit propositions at the time, but he asked them to take into consideration what he had said and to return at 3 o'clock. He said that he hoped that a proposition might be presented at that time which would furnish the basis of an adjustment. The first conference then broke up. It had lasted less than 15 minutes.

It was understood that each party to the conference would formulate some proposition during the interim, based on what the President had said, or that each would be prepared to reply to the present to the President when the conference was resumed at 3 o'clock.

At 12:30 o'clock Secretary Root terminated nearly an hour's private conference with the President. The secretary was in an optimistic mood when he left the White House. He said he could not communicate anything further than that already given to the press, but he did not object to expressing his individual opinion that the prospects were bright for some satisfactory outcome to the negotiations instituted today.

Will Submit Statements.
Washington, Oct. 3.—When Mr. Mitchell and District Presidents Dwyer, Michaels and Fahy left the White House, after the conference, they returned to the hotel, where they were closeted during the afternoon. Mr. Mitchell declines to say anything about his purpose in regard to a settlement of the strike.

The representatives of the railroads were driven from the White House by their special train, in which they remained at the Baltimore & Ohio station until it was time to leave for the second

conference. Each representative will submit a separate statement, which they will present to President Roosevelt when the conference resumes, and which they will make public as soon as the President has seen it. They declined to discuss the situation on the ground that it would be discourteous to the President to disclose their intentions or make a statement previous to submitting it to him. President Baer was asked if there was any prospect of a settlement of the strike. He replied that he could not tell, as the company would submit a separate statement to the President.

Conference Resumed.
Washington, Oct. 3.—All the parties to the conference were at the White House at 3:15 o'clock and the meeting was then resumed.

At 3:38 the coal conference was still in session without result. The news from the inside was that the coal presidents had prepared statements which they intended to publish. This caused a feeling of depression, for it was taken to mean that they had resolved to maintain their position, and called upon to explain to the public their reasons for so doing.

After the coal conference had been in progress about long enough for the reading of the papers, Secretary Cortelyou came out and called in Assistant Secretary Barnes, who is an expert stenographer. This indicates that the proceedings are being taken down.

At 4:45 representatives of coal railroads came down stairs and went into a room which had been set apart for them.

The representatives of the coal roads remained in conference but a few minutes down stairs, and then left the White House. They said if anything was given out it would have to come from the President.

At the close of the coal conference, Mr. Mitchell said, when he came out: "There has been no settlement."

Orders For Coal.

London, Oct. 3.—Inquiries made at Liverpool show that large orders for Lancashire and North Wales coal continue to be received from America, but the exporters have great difficulty in getting freights, the rates for which have been increased \$1 in the present week.

The president of the Miners' National Union, Mr. Burt, M. P., in his monthly circular to the Northumberland miners, refers to the coal strike in the United States. He says: "Apparently the strike of 15,000 Pennsylvania miners is coming to an unsatisfactory end, because the men are returning to work in small batches. Arrangements would be perfect if the poorest and lowest paid laborers in the United States."

Strike in Sympathy.

Birmingham, Ala., Oct. 2.—Three thousand five hundred men in sympathy with the Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railroad Company, stopped work today on orders from the executive body of the railroad and mine. The suspension is due to the refusal of the operators to collect for the union the one dollar a week assessment. Arrangements would be perfect if the poorest and lowest paid laborers in the United States."

Schools Will Be Supplied.

New York, Oct. 2.—President Fowler, of the New York, Ontario & Western railway, said today that there was no coal situation in New York, that by an arrangement among themselves, the coal companies were providing the elevated railroads with sufficient coal to run their trains. The schools and hospitals in this city were also to be taken care of, he said, and none of them need go without coal. Arrangements would be perfect if the poorest and lowest paid laborers in the United States."

Teamsters' Strike Over.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 3.—The strike of coal teamsters, that for a time threatened to deprive the public schools of their fuel supply, has been settled. The anthracite and bituminous coal company which supplies coal to the schools on the Northwest conceded all the teamsters terms.

MACEDONIAN TROUBLES.

Turkey's Action May Exasperate Villagers and Cause Them to Join Revolutionists.

(Associated Press.)
Constantinople, Oct. 3.—The insurrectionary movement in Macedonia does not appear to have spread to any serious extent, although it is feared in some quarters that the Turkish measures for suppression may exasperate the villagers and cause them to join the revolutionists.

The Macedonian committee's efforts to support the plans of its president, General Tzontcheff, for a general revolt are handicapped by the hostility of the adherents of Saroff, the former president, who refuse all assistance to the new leader.

According to news from Bulgarian sources upwards of 500 Bulgarians were recently imprisoned in Monastir district and numerous arrests of Albanians were made at Constantinople, as a precaution, during the visit of Grand duke Nicholas of Russia.

A JOCKEY'S RETAINER.

New York, Oct. 3.—Capt. S. S. Brown, the Pittsburgh millionaire horseman, has secured the services for one year of George Odum, the Jockey's University, of which institution he is a director.

ANDREW CARNEGIE'S GIFT.

London, Oct. 2.—Andrew Carnegie has donated \$7,500 to the union for women students of St. Andrew's University, of which institution he is a director.

LEAVING MANCHURIA.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 2.—Advices from Kharin says that the Russian troops are beginning to evacuate South Manchuria.

CASE LAID OVER ON TECHNICALITY

GRAND JURY WAS NOT
LEGALLY CONSTITUTED

Counsel Occupy All Morning Discussing the Points at Issue in the Matter.

The Hayes case has been laid over until next assize by a technicality raised in court this morning which resulted in it being decided by Mr. Justice Martin that the grand jury which found a true bill was illegally constituted. All morning the subject was fought out by the counsel in the matter. Appearing for the Crown was H. G. Robertson, with E. F. Davis representing the private prosecution. The defendant was represented by Fred. Peters, L. P. Luff and George Powell.

At the opening of the Assize court this morning, Mr. Duff raised some objections. The first was that the grand jury was not constituted according to law, and that in fact there was no grand jury. The act under which it was constituted was ultra vires. He would not elaborate upon it, however, as decisions had been given against this view by the Supreme courts of Nova Scotia and Alberta.

The grand jury, however, in spite of this was not constituted properly. There were not thirteen grand jurors returned by the sheriff. The returns show thirteen, one of whom, Thos. Fairall, is described as "not in possession of his natural faculties." There were only twelve men in the panel. This was a flagrant violation of the statute. Carried to the extreme, the sheriff would have the power of constituting the grand jury from those summoned.

He also objected to the fact that the grand jury had not examined any witnesses up to the preliminary hearing. In such a case a prosecutor in this case was a misdemeanor. Only the Crown could be represented, as they had really by their course taken it out of the hands of the private prosecutor.

Mr. Duff lamented the difficulty experienced in getting this case before the court for trial. He referred to the position taken by the defence as one of splitting hairs. There was a precedent in this court for his taking part. In the piracy case he had appeared for the private prosecutor, and also the Crown really as there was no other Crown representative.

Mr. Peters raised the further point that the indictment had been laid by the attorney-general. In such a case there was no precedent for other than counsel for the Crown appearing. There was no room for the appearance of a representative of the private prosecutor. The true bill brought in had contained other charges than those which had come up at the preliminary hearing. A private prosecutor in this case was a misdemeanor. Only the Crown could be represented, as they had really by their course taken it out of the hands of the private prosecutor.

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Mr. Peters held that the contention was that the Crown having taken the position which they did, really debarred Mr. Davis.

Mr. Davis held this could only apply if he appeared alone, but he was only appearing for the private prosecutor as an assistant to the counsel for the Crown.

Mr. Robertson, on behalf of the Crown, asked that Mr. Davis be allowed to assist him and call him in to act as Crown prosecutor.

Mr. Peters objected on the ground that Mr. Davis had frankly announced that he appeared for the private prosecutor. Appearing in such a capacity was radically different to being an assistant in the Crown prosecution. It was a question of representation.

His Lordship held it was a serious question, and he ruled that Mr. Davis could not appear for the private prosecutor, and that if he appeared it must be as Crown prosecutor.

Speaking to the objection raised by Mr. Duff concerning the non-calling of witnesses by the grand jury, Mr. Davis referred to English cases showing that the grand jury might even indict a man upon their knowledge merely without even examining depositions or witnesses.

In this case it was radically different, inasmuch as depositions were examined. It was but reasonable to presume that the grand jury found a true bill in the usual way according to law. This was quite as reasonable as to presume that the counsel for the defence must presume the proceedings in the grand jury room being necessarily secret.

Upon the point that the return of the panel was imperfect, inasmuch as only twelve jurors were included, the statement of the sheriff that he had found the man not in the possession of his faculties and that Dr. Fraser had also corroborated this was made. On this ground he did not serve Fairall.

prejudiced by this act in order to quash the indictment. The matter was one largely at the discretion of the judge. He contended that there was no prejudicing of the case, as the grand jury would have been constituted exactly as it was had Fairall been served.

Mr. Duff stated that his contention was not that the jury was defective, but that there was no jury, the whole number not having been summoned.

His Lordship ruled that unless section 654 covered the objection that it could not be overruled. The constitution of the jury was at an end when the panel was completed, and the summoning of the jurors whose names were contained on the panel had nothing to do with the constitution of it. If the number of jurors summoned was less than the statute provided, there was no grand jury, and that therefore the entire provision of section 654 could not apply. He must therefore quash the indictment and a new grand jury would have to be constituted. He would have been glad had he been able to take a different view of the matter.

It being pointed out that the circuit of the Assize court made it difficult to have this heard in the near future, and that a delay of five days would be necessary to summon a jury, Mr. Peters asked that the case stand over until next assize.

Mr. Davis was agreeable to this "by consent" of counsel. If this was not done "by consent" he would have to ask that an order for a new grand jury should be made.

His Lordship held that the summoning of a second grand jury was, in his opinion, superfluous, incurring an additional expense, and that he would leave it to the Crown to take what action they choose at next assize.

Mr. Peters asked for leave to renew his surties.

The matter of surties will be settled in Chambers this afternoon, after which the Assize court will be dismissed at 4 o'clock.

STEAMERS FROM NORTH.

Danube and Princess May Bring Over One Hundred Passengers—A Large Shipment of Salmon.

(Special to the Times.)

Vancouver, Oct. 3.—Steamers Danube and Princess May arrived this morning from Skagway with one hundred and fifteen passengers and \$25,000 in gold. The Danube had seventeen thousand cases of salmon, the largest salmon cargo ever brought by a steamer to this port. Both boats were delayed by fog and bad weather. Freight is being cleared from White Horse fairly rapidly, only two thousand tons yet remaining.

The steamer City of Seattle, sailing from Vancouver to-day, had the largest cargo she has taken this season.

Robert Forlong, a merchant of Stevenson, was seriously injured this morning by falling down stairs.

DISCUSSED BY DEALERS.

J. T. McGill Advocated Repeal of Duty on Canadian Grain at Convention at Peoria.

(Associated Press.)

Peoria, Ill., Oct. 3.—The second day of the national grain dealers convention was more liberally attended than the preceding day, but little business was attempted in convention, and the day was devoted principally to speech making. Among the papers read was one by J. T. McGill, of Minneapolis, on the "Repeal of duty on Canadian grain," and strongly advocated the measure. Consideration of amendments to the constitution will come up to-morrow, as will the election of next year's meeting place, Milwaukee and St. Louis are prominent candidates.

SHORT OF STOCK CARS.

Companies Unable to Handle All Cattle Which Owners Desire to Move From West.

(Associated Press.)

Denver, Colo., Oct. 3.—The News to-day says: "The tremendous demand for stock cars with which to move live stock from the present scanty ranges of the West points, has created a condition in the live stock markets of the West never before known, and one that is causing great loss and inconvenience to stock owners."

It Denver the market has been almost paralyzed because of the inability of the railroads to supply cars to take care of the business done, and prices have been steadily declining principally for the same reason."

ARCHBISHOP KATZ.

A Change For the Worse in His Condition During Past Two Days.

(Associated Press.)

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 3.—Archbishop John J. Katz, who has been in poor health for the past six months, has experienced a marked change for the worse in the past two days. The Archbishop's ailment is closely akin to paralysis, and while his physicians do not think there is immediate danger, it is known from the nature of his disease that the end is likely to come at any time.

EARTHQUAKE IN ITALY.

People Panic Stricken—Houses Demolished But No Loss of Life.

(Associated Press.)

London, Oct. 3.—A special dispatch from Rome to-day, announces that a violent earthquake was felt last night at Terni, about 50 miles from there. The inhabitants were panic-stricken and fled to open spaces. A number of houses were demolished, but there was no loss of life.

Movable wickerwork chairs replace the old-fashioned seats in the newest first-class smoking carriages on the Northeastern railway system, England.

MR. DUNSMUIR HAS GOT THE PROPERTY

HE BOUGHT OUT THE
OTHER INTERESTS

The E. & N. Railway and the Island Collieries Are Now His Exclusive Property.

Hon. Jas. Dunsmuir arrived in the city last evening from England, where he attended the coronation ceremonies in the capacity of Premier of this province. Mr. Dunsmuir's trip has not been one devoted alone to pleasure, but he has taken occasion on his way from England to enter into negotiations for the purchase of the interest held by the Pacific Improvement Company in the various enterprises with which his name is identified.

Mr. Dunsmuir and other officials of the companies concerned were seen this morning, and assured the Times that the deal has been consummated, and that the E. & N. railway and the Wellington Colliery Company are now the sole property of Jas. Dunsmuir.

The Wellington Colliery Company includes all the coal mines known as the Dunsmuir mines. These are, roughly speaking, situated at Union and at Extension, and in connection with them are many miles of railway, forming a very complete system for the transporting of the production to the bunkers for shipment at Comox wharf and Ladysmith.

The transaction is one which involves an immense sum of money, though the exact sum paid by Mr. Dunsmuir is not made known. Mr. Dunsmuir is responsible for the transaction, having entered into arrangements with Gen. Hubbard while in New York. In dealing with Gen. Hubbard he was negotiating with the controller of the Pacific Improvement Company's stock. Although the transaction was a most important one, it is said to have been consummated after only about two hours' conference. The interest controlled by Gen. Hubbard has already, Mr. Dunsmuir says, passed under his control, and he is now the sole owner of these interests.

Between the two interests formerly represented, and which were respectively James Dunsmuir and the Pacific Improvement Company, Mr. Lindsay says there has never been any misunderstanding. The best of feeling has always prevailed. A. D. Shepherd could only be regarded as the paid servant of the Pacific Improvement Company.

A. D. Shepherd is at present in San Francisco, and his views upon the transfer of the stock could only, therefore, be ascertained by wire. During his absence Elmer E. Johnson is looking after the interests of the Pacific Improvement Company. The latter gentleman was unable to give any information on the subject, as he had received no intimation whatever that the transaction had taken place. Gen. Hubbard, he said, controlled one-half of the stock of the Pacific Improvement Company, but he had received no information upon the subject, and it was impossible, he said, to presume what had taken place.

The transfer of the other interest to Mr. Dunsmuir will not likely occasion any change in connection with the conduct of the business. This has all along been left in the hands of Mr. Dunsmuir. A. D. Shepherd himself stated a little time ago that it was not proposed that the conduct of either the railway or the mining business should be taken out of his control, but all they wished was that these businesses should be run on modern business principles. Mr. Dunsmuir has, therefore, been allowed to run the business largely as he desired in the past, and the transfer of the remaining stock to his control should in no wise affect it.

A dispatch from the Times correspondent at San Francisco says: "A. D. Shepherd, manager of the Pacific Improvement Company, states that the sale of the company's half share in the E. & N. railway and in the Wellington and Ladysmith coal mines to Mr. Dunsmuir will be concluded in the immediate future in Victoria. He positively refuses to state the amount to be paid by Mr. Dunsmuir. Mr. Shepherd says his company was not anxious to sell, but received a good offer, and accepted."

UNRULY ELEPHANT KILLED.

Six Hundred Grains of Cyanide of Potassium Given Animal in Bran Mash.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Oct. 3.—"Tom," the fractious trick elephant at the Central park zoo, was killed yesterday. Several days ago he became so unruly that it was dangerous for his keepers to go near him. It took 25 minutes to kill the big animal, 600 grains of cyanide of potassium being administered to him in two pills of bran mash. After taking the first pill "Tom" fell on his knees in spasms, which denoted death. Only park officers and keepers witnessed the killing.

RAILWAY WRECK.

Two Freight Trains in Collision—Engineer and Fireman Killed.

(Associated Press.)

Washington, Oct. 3.—A rear end collision between two freight trains, one of the Philadelphia, Wilmington & Baltimore railroad and the other of the Richmond, Fredericksburg & Potomac railroad, occurred early to-day on the outskirts of the city, resulting in the death of Fireman E. S. Keys and Engineer J. S. Peadar.



BANK SAFE BLOWN UP WITH DYNAMITE

BURGULARS IN MANITOBA WERE DISAPPOINTED

Jealousy the Cause of a Girl's Suicide—Rev. W. B. Cummings Inducted at Carberry.

Winnipeg, Oct. 2.—The safe in the Bank of Hamilton branch at Plum Coulee was blown open by unknown burglars last night. There was very little money in the safe, as it had been sent to another point the previous evening. Dynamite was used by the robbers and a blacksmith shop entered to secure tools.

Baying Land.
A party of Dunkards from the United States returned from the Indian Head district, where they located 18 homesteads and bought 40 sections of land. All will be settled at once. The Dunkards are said to be the finest agriculturists in the United States.

Leaves To-Day.
Hon. Mr. Blair, minister of railways, is here. He leaves for the Pacific coast to-morrow.

Pastor Inducted.
Rev. W. B. Cummings, formerly of Nanaimo, B. C., was this evening formally inducted in the pastorate of Knox church, Carberry.

Call to Hamilton.
Hamilton, Ont., Oct. 2.—The congregation of Knox Presbyterian church has decided to call Rev. E. Henry, of Brandon, Man., to the pastorate of the church at a salary of \$2,200.

Old Old Fellow Dead.
C. Neaden, the oldest Old Fellow in the country, is dead. He was a member of the order for 68 years.

Solicitor's Shortage.
It is estimated that the deficit of Alfred Duggan, solicitor of the treasury of Ontario, in connection with the Wilson succession dues, will exceed \$25,000. Unless the matter is settled criminal proceedings will be established against him.

Committed Suicide.
London, Ont., Oct. 2.—Minnie Gooday, 17 years of age, daughter of John Gooday, 188 Albert street, committed suicide by drinking laudanum and carbolic acid. She was displeased with her sweetheart because of attentions which she accused him of paying to another girl.

New Principal.
Toronto, Oct. 2.—At the next meeting of the board of Upper Canada colleges, Hon. Richard Harcourt, minister of education for Ontario, will recommend the appointment of Rev. J. O. Miller, principal of Bishop Ridley college, St. Catharines, to succeed Principal Parkin, who is retiring to organize the Cecil Rhodes scholarships.

A Challenge.
John A. Nicholls, the Dominion Alliance lecturer, has challenged Edwin Dickie, secretary of the Ontario liquor men, to name any day he chooses to discuss the Ontario Liquor Act. The challenge has created a stir.

WILL NOT WITHDRAW BILL.
Premier Balfour Denies That Government Intends to Drop Education Measure.

London, Oct. 2.—Replying this evening to an inquiry whether it was true that the government intended to withdraw its Education Bill, Premier Balfour authorized the statement that "there is no foundation whatever for this rumor." A similar denial was made by Colonial Secretary Chamberlain, who added with reference to the attitude of the Birmingham Liberal Unionists that "only two hundred persons attended the meeting."

The general body of the Presbyterian and Baptist independent ministers held a special meeting this evening, adopting a resolution calling upon the government to withdraw the Education Bill and declaring, "We will do everything in our power to defeat the reactionary tyrannical proposals of the measure, which vast numbers of loyal subjects will be conscientiously compelled to resist to the utmost, even to refusing the payment of rates."

CHOLERA IN EGYPT.
Since outbreak in July There Have Been Over Thirty Thousand Deaths.

Cairo, Egypt, Oct. 2.—There were 254 fresh cases of cholera reported in Egypt yesterday, and 241 deaths from that disease. The total since the outbreak on July 15th, are 36,058 cases and 30,988 deaths.

TOLSTOI'S HOUSE ON FIRE.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 2.—Tolstoy's home at Yasnaya Polyana, in the government of Tula, narrowly escaped being totally destroyed by fire to-day. The upper part of the house was destroyed.

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THE LATE M. ZOLA.

Widow of Novelist Swooned When She Viewed Remains of Her Husband.

Paris, Oct. 2.—Madame Zola was allowed to see the body of her husband to-day. A large crowd assembled in front of the house and saluted her respectfully as she alighted from a carriage, assisted by two doctors. She was attired in deep mourning and was evidently very weak. Zola's publishers and some of his intimate friends accompanied her to the mortuary chamber. When her husband's features were uncovered, Madame Zola's anguish was heart-rending. She finally swooned.

Eulogized Zola.
New York, Oct. 2.—Rev. Dr. Silverman, at the Jewish New Year service, delivered in Temple Emanuel of this city to-day, addressed his congregation on the subject, "Two Phases of Jewish Question." He treated on Secretary Hay's notice to the powers in regard to the Roumanian anti-Semitic legislation, and also eulogized the name of Zola. He said in part: "The dignified protest of our country against Roumanian oppression, ably seconded by England, has sent a thrill round the world of mingled surprise and admiration. Israel's friends are musing; Israel's work has been recognized. The world's debt to Israel's spiritual mission has been conceded and the inhumanity of religious tyranny stands condemned before the world's tribunal of right."

"And shall not Israel imitate the noble example? Shall we lie supinely and see others active in the redemption of our oppressed brethren? We could be a force in the world if united. I do not favor concentration of Israel in Palestine or in any place, but I do favor, though, organization into a strong central committee. There should be an international Jewish protective association that could exercise great power and influence."

"Of Zola the speaker said: 'To the Jew no name is dearer, no memory sweeter, no record holier than that of Emile Zola, the man of unparalleled courage.'"

INCREASE IN REVENUE.

All Branches of Business Are Booming in Newfoundland.

St. John's, Nfld., Oct. 2.—The revenue of the colony for the quarter ended September 30th, reaches a total of \$550,000, which is \$20,000 more than the revenue for the corresponding quarter of last year. The revenue for this quarter of 1901 was the highest ever collected during any three months in the colony's fiscal history. The prosperity of Newfoundland, was now greater than ever, and all branches of business is booming.

FAST ATLANTIC SERVICE.

Manchester Paper Says Terms of a British Syndicate Have Been Accepted.

Manchester, Eng., Oct. 2.—The Daily Dispatch this morning asserts that the terms of a British syndicate for a fast service of steamships between Montreal and Liverpool, Bristol and London have been accepted. The steamers are to receive a joint subsidy from the Imperial and Canadian governments.

The column under Captain Pershing, which went out against the Maciu Moros, in Mindanao, has captured their forts. The Moros stood but a short time against the United States artillery fire. Fifty Moros were killed and many wounded. There were no Americans killed.

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TO-DAY'S CONFERENCE.

Feeling That It Will Result in the Settlement of the Coal Strike.

Washington, Oct. 2.—It has been decided that Attorney-General Knox shall attend the conference to-morrow between the President, the coal operators and Mr. Mitchell, of the miners' union. He will be the only member of the cabinet who will be present. Carroll D. Wright, commissioner of labor, who recently made an investigation of the strike situation, will attend on the invitation of the President. While everyone connected with the administration is extremely reticent concerning the coming conference, there is a feeling of hope among those close to the President that it is going to result in the settlement of the strike. This hope is based on the acuteness of the situation and the necessity that exists for a settlement, along with the known determination of the President to bring about a settlement of the great labor controversy, if such a thing is possible.

The Post to-morrow will say that the coal presidents at the conference will decline to accept any plan of strike settlement which proposes to treat with President Mitchell, but that they have agreed to a tentative plan according to which the coal presidents will propose that the men return to work with the understanding that their grievances as individuals shall be submitted to a board of arbitration, and that the coal presidents will agree to abide by the decision of this board, the members of which shall be appointed by the President.

Mitchell Declines to Talk.
Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Oct. 2.—President Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers, accompanied by district presidents Nicholas, Duffy and Fahy, left here this evening for Washington via Philadelphia. Mr. Mitchell conferred with the district presidents through the day. It is not known what policy the executive board of the miners' union will pursue at the conference. Mr. Mitchell declined to express any opinion. All he would say was that he hoped for the best.

Opinion at Scranton.
Scranton, Pa., Oct. 2.—Sentiment among the representatives of the coal operators here has undergone a change since yesterday regarding the action of President Roosevelt in assuming the role of intermediary to settle the strike. Yesterday they said the only effect of the President's action would be to put off the surrender of the miners as many days as there were in the interim between the first and second sessions of the conference. Today they say that the President's action would hasten the end of the strike, that it will show the miners that no third party, not even the President of the United States, can but the operators from their position, and that once this is realized the strikers will weaken.

A prominent individual coal operator said to-day that he stood ready to guarantee that the operators would agree to a sliding scale basis of pay comprehending a two per cent. rise for every ten cents advanced on coal above \$04.50 f.o.b., if the miners' union would agree to put up the bonds to indemnify the operators for damages resulting from strikes caused by the discharge of men for causes other than connection with the union.

There was no disorder reported to-day and no claims from either side as to gains or losses of the working force of the colliers. All interest is centred in to-morrow's conference.

It is now almost certain that John Mullen, a non-union man who was run over by a trolley car at Southville last night, was stabbed or killed and then placed on the track. His own razor, with blood on the blade, was found near the spot, and no cuts that a razor could have made was to be found on the body. It is supposed he was attacked and drew the razor to defend himself. Coroner Berge says it was a case of murder.

DEATH ENDED ROMANCE.

Rad Story of Woman Who Circled Globe in Expectation of Marriage.

Driven to desperation by the prospect of being forever separated from her lover, Jos. Abodeley, of Cedar Rapids, in the expectation of marrying whom she had nearly circled the globe, Alexandria Joseph, a young Syrian girl, three hours from the window of a Canadian Central passenger train running fifty miles an hour, and was instantly killed. When Abodeley had saved enough money to pay the girl's passage to the United States, and she went as far as Montreal, last May, the United States immigration bureau reached out to separate the lovers and the plucky fight which the young man then attempted against fate, ended in his sweetheart's death.

The girl was refused admittance to the United States on the charge that she was afflicted with trachoma, but Abodeley had her eyes treated at the Montreal hospital for three months. When his funds ran low he attempted to pass the inspectors at Detroit and was caught. Both the young foreigners were detained by the United States authorities at Detroit and Abodeley narrowly escaped imprisonment for violating the immigration laws, but the sympathy of the officers being aroused, he was allowed to leave town.

Immigration Agent Cameron Miller took the girl in custody, for the trip to New York, with a warrant from the secretary of the treasury to have the girl deported to her home in Syria.

The officer had allowed his charge to go to the toilet room, and in a moment was horrified to see the door fly open, revealing an empty room and an open window. The train was run back, and the young woman was found dead beside the track.

SIAMESE CREDIT.

It Is Now Under the Control of Great Britain.

Paris, Oct. 2.—A dispatch received in this city from Laison, capital of French Cochina, says the Siamese government has just issued a large quantity of paper money with the assistance of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. Siamese credit is thus placed under the control of Great Britain.

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Special Precautions Are Being Taken Against Chinese Emigration into United States Territory.

Where Chinamen coming in by the numerous Oriental liners calling here head for after debarking at either Victoria or Vancouver is a question that frequently suggests itself to those who have the opportunity of witnessing the thousands who pass by this city during the course of a year. In order to get some enlightenment on the subject a prominent Chinaman was asked where the hosts of his countrymen arriving every steamer migrate to, but gave little information. They scatter, he said, all over the country, many going to Mexico via Montreal and by steamer down the Atlantic, and others enter the United States in the same way as they are handled at San Francisco and other American ports of entry.

During his stay in Montreal he had an interview with the Canadian Pacific authorities regarding the entrance of Chinamen into the United States via the Canadian border, after which he expressed himself as satisfied that the company would comply with the requests he had made in order to enable the American officials to deal with Chinese immigrants in the same way as they are handled at San Francisco and other American ports of entry.

"I have," he said, "positive information that many who have no right to enter, and who would be rejected at San Francisco, get through by way of Canada." The matter is still under consideration between Mr. Sargeant and Mr. Kerr, passenger traffic manager of the C. P. R. Mr. Watchorn was asked what the negotiations Mr. Sargeant had entered into with the Canadian Pacific amounted to. "In a nutshell, it means," he said, "the compliance with regulations which the United States government has desired for years for reasons which failed to explain. They hitherto failed to guarantee to the people of the United States that none but eligible Chinamen will be admitted into that country by way of the Canadian border."

"How is this to be effected? By concentration, that is to say, the Chinese are to be sent only to designated points hereafter to be selected. Moreover, those who attempt an unlawful entrance to the United States by the Canadian border will be deported to China in a like manner as those rejected at San Francisco; that is, they will be put on board the steamer which brought them here and sent back to Hongkong at the expense of those who brought them."

The jurisdiction of the inspector at Montreal, Robert Watchorn, has by the commissioner-general, been greatly increased. Heretofore it only extended from St. John, N. B., to Saint St. Marie, but now reaches to Vancouver. The staff on the frontier is also to be increased, as it has been found that on account of the vigilant work done here the immigrants are seeking other entrances elsewhere.

At Pembina and St. Vincent, for instance, 500 passed through recently and officers will be placed at these points forthwith.

TWELVE WERE KILLED.

Bodies of Three Victims of Washington Mine Explosion Recovered.

Black Diamond, Wash., Oct. 2.—An explosion of dynamite occurred last night in the south end of the fourth level of the Lawson mine, badly wrecking the mine and killing twelve miners. Fortunately no fire was started. Three bodies have been taken out. Nine other bodies are in the mine. Three men were injured, one severely. Everything possible is being done to recover the bodies. There were 22 men working in the level at the time of the accident, but of these 10 escaped with their lives.

The dead are: Joe Becker, Frank Flinder, Frank Rochell, Robert Lundberg, John Swanson, John Creghina, Simon Tarsavich, Edward Acton, E. Pico, John Leter, Hugh Leverand and Louis Berkman.

REPUBLICAN LEAGUE.

Four Hundred Delegates Gather at Chicago—Nomination of Roosevelt Will Likely Be Endorsed.

Chicago, Oct. 2.—The annual convention of the National Republican League was called to order in the First Regiment armory here to-day. About 400 delegates were present, representing the auxiliary leagues of the various states. Before the convention opened it was commonly admitted that the nomination of President Roosevelt in 1904 would be endorsed.

Word was received at New York yesterday that Dr. John Byrne, of Brooklyn, a noted gynecologist, died at Montreux, Switzerland, on Wednesday. He was 77 years old.

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STATEMENT BY BALDWIN.

Says the Sailing Master Objected to Ice Pilot Directing the Ship.

New York, Oct. 2.—Evelyn B. Baldwin, the Arctic explorer, arrived to-day on the steamship Germanic, of the White Star line. Mr. Baldwin at first refused to talk about the alleged controversies which had taken place between him and Capt. Johannsen, of the American, but after hearing that it had been reported that the expedition had been short of food and supplies, he made the following statement:

"There is not a word of truth in the report of our not having sufficient supplies. It is easy to explain the trouble between myself and Capt. Johannsen. He wanted to be the whole thing. The trouble first started between the captain, or, to give him his proper title, sailing master, and the ice pilot, whose name is Arson. The ice pilot took up his place in the crew's nest on the ship when we were in the ice fields, and should have had, and eventually did have, complete charge of the directing of the ship. The sailing master objected to the ice pilot's holding absolute sway over the movements of the ship at any time, and that is how the row began. I, of course, took the side of the pilot, and saw that he was kept in command while we were in the ice. This pilot had had 20 years' experience in the ice fields, while the sailing captain had had practically none. The expedition went away with 42 persons on board and we brought back the same number. The Fram drifted around the ice four years, while in one year we did almost as much as establish an outpost. Why, we ought to be congratulated instead of, as you say in the United States, jumped on. I have learned one good lesson, though, never to take a Swede and a Norwegian together along with you if you want to avoid trouble. The ice pilot was a Norwegian, and the sailing master a Swede. There was the whole thing in a nutshell."

In response to Mr. Baldwin's request for information regarding any charges made against him, he was shown a published interview with J. Knowles Hare, an artist on the expedition, who recently arrived here. The interview stated that there had been a disagreeable row between the captain of the American and Baldwin was also informed that F. S. Vineyard, of Durango, Colorado, the first member of the expedition to arrive in America, had said that he never would go north again with Mr. Baldwin.

"I don't believe it," said the explorer. "Why, neither of these men has any cause to say anything against me. Everyone was treated fairly and no man can say truthfully that he was not. If I go again next year, no matter who I take with me, whether they be Zulus, Hottentots or white men, there are sure to be some kickers in the crowd. The members of this expedition were mostly young men, and very few of them had ever undertaken such a trip before. This might explain some of the things said about me. But I am being done a great injustice."

"Our most exciting adventure was when we were coming back, and were caught in the pack ice. This was really very serious, and the ship's propeller frame was broken and the rudder and screw bent. Two members of the party were set on by white bears one day and had a narrow escape. We were sending balloons and buoyed drift containing messages. The meteorological observations taken and the dredging will be of great interest to science. We manufactured our own hydrogen gas for the balloons without accident, which is another thing we deserve credit for. The knowledge gained of air and ocean currents will also be of great value to science. I still believe that when the Polo is reached it will be found to be surrounded by ice. The fate of Andre? Why I think he went down into the sea."

The tariff committee of the Berlin Reichstag passed the second reading of the new tariff bill yesterday, and concluded its labors.

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If the work of one vessel can be taken as a criterion of that accomplished by the whole fleet, the sealers in Behring Sea last month have been fairly successful. Purser L. W. Shaw, of the steamer Nomo City, which reached Seattle from the North the other day, reports that on September 3rd at 3 p.m. the steamer spoke the schooner Carrie C. W., 100 miles south of Nuinrak Island, with a catch of 507 skins. Her crew were reported all well, which would seem to indicate that the two hunters who had lost their vessel and had drifted ashore on St. Paul Island in a gale, had again been picked up by the vessel. The men, it will be remembered, were seen by a United States inspector and it was thought that from the island they would be brought home by some south bound steamer.

The Nomo City reports that she had very fine weather on her return, but a stormy passage on the north bound trip. She was in port at Nomo City for a week, but saw no other sealers, either on the north or south bound voyages. The Roanoke, which arrived at Seattle the day previous to the Nomo City, brought news that there were no sailing vessels of any kind at Dutch Harbor when she called there on her way down. The schooner are evidently all out hunting, which fact in itself is good news. Capt. Daniels, of the Nomo City, says that his voyage was one of the most remarkable he has made from Nomo at this time of year in point of weather.

CREW MUTINIED.

A mutiny on the French barque Gael was very quietly and effectively squelched at Port Townsend a few days ago. When the vessel was ready to proceed to Tacoma the crew refused to turn to duty, and the master of the Gael wishing to avoid trouble sent ashore for eight longshoremen. The men had hardly come over the side of the vessel when the French seamen made a rush for them, threatening to kill the first man who laid a hand on the windless. The revenue cutter Grant was signalled, and a file of twenty jacks from the cutter was soon on deck. Upon inquiring into the cause of the trouble, the officers ordered the men aft. They were slow in moving at first, but a show of the bristling carbines soon had the mutineers hurrying to the poop. The guard was then stationed well forward, covering the longshoremen, who immediately commenced heaving the anchor. After parleying among themselves the ring-leader of the seamen announced that they were willing to return to work. The master of the vessel was satisfied to accept their peace overtures, but the officers deemed it more wise to make assurance doubly sure, and detailed a squad of four armed men to remain aboard and maintain a strict guard while the vessel was towing to Tacoma. At Tacoma the prisoners were turned over to the French consul, who will look into their offence and punish them according to the marine laws of the country from which they sailed. They made several attempts to kill the captain of the barque and to stab longshoremen who had taken their places when they refused to work.

CHAPTER OF ACCIDENTS.

The American barque John Ena, which arrived at Kobo on the 14th of last month, has had a most tragic voyage from New York, which port she left on April 11th last. Capt. Madson, who is in command of the John Ena, told a representative of the Kobo Herald that the



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FOURNIER TELLS OF THE YUKON MURDERS

Makes Confession of the Killing of Four Men—Charges Labelle With the Shooting.

Victor Fournier, held for the murder of Bouthlette, Beaudoin and Constant, was committed for trial in the Yukon Territorial court of Dawson on September 20th. His commitment was made on the strength of a voluntary statement made by Fournier in the presence of the police and his counsel. He gave news of a fourth man being killed.

In the statement, which was read in full in the court, Fournier said, among other things: "Between us we killed four men. (The fourth referred to in the portion of the statement not pertinent in this hearing, was on the lower Yukon on the American side of the line.) I know I am just as guilty. If La Belle had missed fire I would have tried the best I could. He was the leader; I was the next. I don't want to take the rope from my neck. If I deserve the rope, I want it. I am old enough to be a corpse, and have run after the job fifteen years. I was born in 1851. I am ready for it."

In relating his story of the murder, Fournier said: "When we were in Dawson this spring, La Belle came to me and said, 'Pete (he called me Pete), let's go to White Horse.' We thought they might be some games running there. We went. There were no games running there. Then La Belle said he would meet strangers and hustle them down the river. I said, 'It's tough, but I am with you.' We got a small boat, and we met the three fellows. We agreed to take them to Dawson for \$5 each. We camped every night. Nearly every night La Belle said he would kill them."

"The last night was on an island below Stewart. In the morning I was asleep. He threw a piece of wood at me, and I knew what it meant. I heard a shot. I was sure one was done for. He said it was a rabbit. Then he shot again. Then he came back and shot the big man (Bouthlette). He fired twice at him. I saw the three bodies near the water. We searched the bodies and threw them in the water. We did not tie any weights to them, nor take off the clothes. We burnt the tents and some of the dead men's blankets. La Belle put his rifle in a sack. Then we went down the river to a place near the Klondike bridge."

"Have you anything more to tell?" "Sure thing." "You bet."

"We remained in Dawson until about a week after the Fourth of July, and then went to Eagle with a man named

STEP BY STEP. Coffee Gets in Its Fine Work.

Watch coffee drinkers and observe that practically everyone of them has some form of incipient or fixed disease. Mrs. F. N. Wright, of San Francisco, Cal., tells her experience: "I was 20 years old before I ever knew the taste of coffee, and before I commenced drinking it, I never was troubled in the least with constipation, but after drinking coffee for one year, I became constipated to such a degree that I had to resort to drugs to overcome it."

After three years drinking coffee, I had cultivated a chronic state of constipation and other annoying symptoms became manifest. The first thing in the morning, I had a headache come on, a feeling of nausea, and these symptoms would persist until I had drunk a quantity of coffee. At first, I did not associate these symptoms with the habit of coffee drinking. I thought my system must be run down, and I felt glad that coffee, instead of prescribed drugs would relieve the weakness. Like many people, I did not reason from cause to effect.

About this time I met an elderly nurse in my employ, who complained every morning of similar symptoms, and when I suggested mineral water, etc., to her for her biliousness, she said, 'Nothing in the world but my coffee will relieve me, when I feel so badly.' My husband began to complain, if he did not get his coffee at a certain time, of queer sensations in the stomach and head. I became alarmed at these coincidences, and came to the conclusion that coffee had as strong a hold on us as whiskey has with the veriest drunkard. About this time, I was taken ill with inflammatory rheumatism, and the two doctors who attended me, told me I would have to stop drinking coffee or remain a cripple, as they could not treat me if I persisted in using a drug stronger than the drug I needed.

My husband and I agreed to try an experiment and commenced the use of Postum Food Coffee. The effect was marvelous and taught us some valuable truths, and now we would not touch a cup of coffee for anything. His business demands the utmost concentration of brain force continuously. He now looks like a new man; he has had no headaches or bilious attacks for some months, and digests all his food without any distress. I feel sure that he would have been a wreck if he had kept on with coffee."

After I began using Postum, I soon recovered from my attack of rheumatism, and in a few weeks, could walk about again. I am no longer troubled with constipation, headaches, nausea or rheumatism. I firmly believe that the continued use of coffee becomes in time as hurtful to the human system as alcoholic stimulants. I know my case and my husband's both demonstrate this clearly."

La Belle. There we met a young French-Canadian called Gil or Gilbert or Gilbert Dufor, going to the outside. We went down the river with him, leaving La Belle at Eagle. Forty miles above Circle we camped, and while there we were shooting at birds, when La Belle shot Gilbert. We tied stones to the body and threw it in the river. La Belle gave me two \$5 notes. We returned to Dawson.

"When you left Eagle did you know Gilbert would be killed?" "Sure." The prisoner admitted having pawned Bouthlette's watch in Dawson. In his statement, Fournier said he was from Montreal. He claims he did nothing wrong there. His first trade was that of a butcher. Later he drove a cab. He left home in 1884. He believes his mother is alive. His father, he says, died in the United States army before 1893.

La Belle's story in Dawson is that Fournier did the shooting. La Belle is reported to have said nothing of the fourth man being killed. A relative of his is going to Dawson from Ottawa to defend him in the principal trial. The accused, with Beaudoin, Bouthlette and Constant are coming from Ottawa to identify the clothing taken from the bodies found as that of Beaudoin and Bouthlette.

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LIST OF SUCCESSFUL
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pointments and Notices.

Last evening's Official Gazette pub-
lishes the following:

Under authority of the Public Schools Act Amendment Act, 1901, the following persons having passed the examination upon the first year course in Arts of McGill University, while bona fide students of Vancouver College (in affiliation with McGill University), and being now graduates of the Provincial Normal school, are hereby granted first class certificates, valid for life: Jessie L. Campbell and Margaret A. Paul.

The second class certificates of qualification to teach in the public schools, issued to the following persons, who are now graduates of the Provincial Normal school, are hereby converted into second class certificates, valid for life: Mrs. L. Bertaux, J. Alfred Blair, Margaret M. Burns, Mabel Cairns, Ethel J. Carter, Edith M. Dalby, Nellie T. Davidson, Rose W. Dimmen, Alfred E. Edwards, Florence N. Emsley, Anne T. Forrest, Katherine N. Fraser, Donald A. Frazer, Elizabeth Harding, Mrs. J. M. H. Harding, Everard Huggard, Margaret A. Johnson, Emile G. Kingston, Winnifred Lawson, Annie M. Newson, M. A. Bernice Pope, Olive W. Graham, Rose W. Robinson, Alice Ruckie, Mrs. Alice G. Shine, Nettie C. Smith, Louise M. Sylvester, Emily J. Taylor, Robert W. Taylor, Julie A. Tanguay, Mary E. J. Whealan and May Woodman.

The third class certificates of qualification to teach in the public schools, issued to the following persons, who are now graduates of the Provincial Normal school, are hereby converted into third class certificates, valid for three years: Annie Booth, Helen Brethour, Elizabeth E. Brown, Ellen M. Carson, Frances I. Dent, Mabel Ruth Ford, Ada W. Graham, Mary H. Haines, Ada M. Howell, Sarah Madden, Laura E. McShall, Christie J. McDonald, Florence A. Nicholles, Harriet A. Northern, Elsie D. Plaxton, Lena S. Pringle, Annie Rath, Ellen B. Read, Malcolm H. J. Reid and Mrs. Clara P. Staretz.

The following rule of court, re powers of Westminster County court judge, is promulgated: "Until further order the local judge of the Supreme Court of British Columbia for the County court district of Westminster shall, for and within the said County court district, in any action, suit, matter or proceeding in the Supreme court, have and be possessed of the same powers and jurisdiction as are now or can hereafter be exercised by any judge of the Supreme Court of British Columbia."

The following companies have been incorporated: The Crown's Nest Pass Company, Limited, capital \$100,000 in \$1 shares. The Pioneer Mining Company, Limited, capital \$20,000 in \$2 shares. The Providence Mining Company, Limited, capital \$200,000 in \$5 shares. Object to acquire and operate the Providence mineral claim in Osoyoos, Yale district.

The Revelstoke & McCulloch Creek Hydraulic Mining Company, Limited, capital \$125,000 in \$1 shares. To purchase the Ophir, Last Chance, Columbia, Whistler and Gold Bird claims, on McCulloch creek, Revelstoke division of West Kootenay, and to operate same. Power is given to the Spicer Shingle Mill Company, Limited, to change its name to Woods & Spicer, Limited.

The Gazette also contains the following appointments: Edward James Thain, of Atlin, mining recorder, to be a coroner in and for the county of Vancouver.

Curtis Dexter Morris, of Rogers Pass, to be a justice of the peace in and for the province of British Columbia.

FOREIGN COAL SHIPMENTS.

Following are the foreign coal shipments from Ladysmith for the month ending 30th September:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Tons.
3-8-8.	Wellington, U. S. A.	2,520	
4-8-8.	Princess Mary, Alaska	244	
5-8-8.	Tellus, U. S. A.	8,670	
12-8-8.	Deluge, U. S. A.	91	
13-8-8.	Princess Mary, Alaska	241	
14-8-8.	Sar, Russia	4,329	
17-8-8.	Wellington, Alaska	2,533	
23-8-8.	Princess Mary, Alaska	2,771	
24-8-8.	Princess Mary, Alaska	1,700	
26-8-8.	Al-Ki, Alaska	235	
28-8-8.	Venture, Alaska	135	
29-8-8.	Jennie, Alaska	135	
30-8-8.	John J. Palmer, Alaska	130	
30-8-8.	Holyoke, U. S. A.	47	
Total		17,064	

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The tenth anniversary of the Ladies of the Macnebes was celebrated at the residence of Mrs. W. H. Spofford last evening. Mrs. Walls, who presided, extended hearty congratulations to the membership upon having completed the first decade in the history of the order. Mrs. Spofford conveyed greetings from Mrs. Lillian Hollisher and Miss Bena West, supreme court officers. Mrs. Hollisher, referring to the progress of the order, wrote:

When the index finger of the clock points to the hour of eight, 100,000 women will breathe a prayer of thanksgiving and raise their voices in the national song of the order because of our "protection" in the home—one of the dearest spots to the hearts of women; and the colors of our order will be entwined with the national flag in 2,215 cities of the world. Thirty years ago, when the fraternal protection system was established, it was established by faith, without any actuarial basis, mortally table or rates. It has now passed the age of uncertainty, and has reached a scientific basis. As we look at the success of our own order, and the splendid position it occupies as a fraternal protection society, there are few of the members of this order of women's orders, with its membership of 100,000, with its 2,215 cities established in 47 states, territories and provinces, with its accumulated fund of \$380,000.81, and its emergency fund of nearly \$500,000, and the amount which has been paid into homes of members in times of sorrow, sickness and death, of \$2,200,000, can go back in mind and realize conditions as they existed on October 31, 1892, when the Supreme High Ladies of the Macnebes, started out on its mission to womanhood, with nothing behind it but faith, place and perseverance of the officers and the indomitable determination to make a great success of the movement. Our principal progress is a matter of history, and the members of the order who have made it what it is can hold it up as a monument to woman's cause and achievement.

The statement of the financial standing of the order was made by Mrs. Myers, after which a programme of literary and musical selections was given. Among those who took part were Mrs. Stephens, recently of Oakland, Cal., and Miss Kneeshaw, who gave vocal selections, accompanied by Prof. Fletcher, and Mrs. Rathum and Miss L. Kneeshaw.

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TIDE TABLE.

Victoria, B. C., October, 1902.
(Issued by the Tidal Survey Branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

Date.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.
Oct. 3	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 4	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 5	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 6	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 7	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 8	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 9	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 10	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 11	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 12	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 13	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 14	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 15	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 16	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 17	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 18	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 19	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 20	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 21	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 22	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 23	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 24	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 25	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 26	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 27	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 28	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 29	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 30	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0
Oct. 31	6.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	6.0	12.0	6.0

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WELCOME TO HOME AND HARMONY.

We welcome the Premier of British Columbia back to his home again; we are pleased to hear that he and his family have enjoyed their trip; that a method of settling the disagreement with his partners in the railway and coal mines has been devised and that harmony reigns within the Dunsmuir environment. We trust also that the Premier will find all his colleagues in the government in an agreeable and harmonious frame of mind, and that no question of personal ambition will arise like a cloud on the political horizon to create forebodings of an impending storm. At the same time we consider it our duty to point out to Mr. Dunsmuir that his Minister of Mines has declared himself in favor of party lines in provincial politics, and like another celebrated politician, Roger Riderhood to wit, has taken his solemn Alfred David that he will "use his utmost endeavors" to bring about that, to his mind, very desirable consummation. It is not very clear to us how the Colonel proposes to reconcile his duty to his colleagues in the present composite government with his announcement that he will labor without ceasing until he has cleared the ground for a Conservative administration. But of course we are not conversant with the workings of the Colonel's mind—and it is but just to it to admit that it has given examples of wonderful ability to guide the corporeal body it directs around unexpected corners. No doubt the Colonel will be able to explain everything satisfactorily to his chief. We expect work on the extension of the Great Northern railway through British Columbia to commence immediately. It was only delayed by the compulsory absence of the Premier. The electors of Victoria were promised immediate commencement of construction, but of course it takes a little time to settle all the details of such great undertakings. General Manager Hubbard, of the Southern Pacific Company, who was an unreasonable obstructionist, has been removed from the pathway of progress and no obstacle remains to delay the fulfilment of the pledge of the Colonel. If the work still cannot go on, no doubt he will resign his seat at once. He was never known to break his word; but he has been known to resign a seat to avoid exposure on account of broken election laws.

SEVERAL "PICTURESQUE FIGURES."

"The present government is nothing but a collection of sectional mediocrities cemented by the appeal made to the imagination of the people of Quebec by the picturesque personality of Sir Wilfrid Laurier."

It is scarcely necessary to inform our readers that the above silly, spiteful sentence is taken from the columns of the Colonist. Like all our Tory contemporaries and all the politicians of the Tory stripe, the Colonist is bewildered by the success which has attended the administration of the affairs of Canada under the government of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. It is saddened by the prosperity

which has descended upon the Dominion under a government of higher average ability than any other that has been called upon to counsel a Governor-General since Confederation. Sir Wilfrid Laurier is something more than a "picturesque personality." He is a man who stands out conspicuously in any company. He is regarded as the leader in the movement towards the consolidation of the British Empire. His voice was potent in the colonial conference. He has been especially honored by his King and His Majesty's ministers. The newspapers of Great Britain have extolled his services, not only to the Colonial portion of the Empire, but to the Mother Country. His tour through France and his conferences with French statesmen were referred to as having had a potent influence in increasing the cordiality of the relationship between the two great nations, notwithstanding the sneers of a section of the French press which bears a close relationship to Tory journals of Canada that speak in spite, envy and pettiness of spirit. The French editors cavilled at the Imperial spirit of the Liberal leader. They hinted that he might if he would restore to France her ancient possession. Their counterparts in Canada snarl because Sir Wilfrid, they imagine, is the principal obstacle to their regaining power. They claim it is through the appeal to the imagination of French Canada this picturesque personality makes that the Liberal party is in power to-day. The "picturesque personality" must be attractive to more than French-Canadians, inasmuch as the government is supported by a majority from every province in the Dominion save Ontario, and if it had not been for the appeals to race prejudice that were made there, and were ordered by the Conservative organizer, Mr. Dabry, of the Montreal Star, to be made by every Tory newspaper in the country, Ontario would undoubtedly have been in line with all the other provinces. It is but just to many Conservative editors to say they refused to descend to such ignominious tactics. In the case of the Colonist, however, its conscience has departed and there is now no influence to restrain it within the lines of decency in political discussion.

And what about the Ministers this merely "picturesque personality" has gathered about him? How does Sir William Mulock as Postmaster-General compare as an administrator with Sir Adolphe Caron? Is not Mr. Fielding the equal of Mr. Foster as the head of the department of finance? Is not Mr. Fisher, a practical farmer, just a trifle more efficient as the chief of the department of agriculture than Sir John Carling, a brewer, or Dr. Montague, a physician? Is the present Minister of Railways and Canals, Mr. Blair, not more likely to inspire confidence than was Hon. John Haggart, the hero of the raging Tay canal, which cost a very large amount of public money, and was navigated by but one boat, and that one the property of the Minister? Mr. Tarte has of late been subjected to a mixture of laudation and abuse from Torontonians. We may assume, however, that he makes a more presentable figure as Minister of Public Works than did Sir Hector Langevin, the treasurer of the boodle fund. And still we have Sir Richard Cartwright, Mr. Paterson, Mr. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Sifton and others left to compare in ability and probity with Ministers which were collected not so much on account of their ability to serve their country as from motives of expediency. That was the foundation principle in the selection of Tory governments. And it served for a considerable time to avert the smash that was threatened through jealousies, strife, corruption and incompetence. But when the edifice which was supported so long through the potency of the influence of Sir John Macdonald did come down, it came with a great crash. The ruin was complete. No leader has yet arisen capable of rearing another such structure. Mr. Borden has thrown aside a great deal of rotten, worn-out timber, but he has advanced no reason why a government under which the prosperity of the country has been so marked should be rejected by the people and the party which made the name of Canada a by-word and a reproach should be put in its place.

No two events in British history of the closing year offer such a striking contrast as the Coronation in Westminster Abbey and the meeting of the Colonial Conference which was held in London about the same time. In the former everything that the artistic imagination of the British race could suggest or employ was done to create a superb spectacle. In the other everything was devoid of the accessories of pomp and splendor. Half a dozen men in plain clothes met in private conference in one of the rooms at the Colonial Office. Yet the scene in the Abbey was without political significance; whereas at the Colonial Conference the men of the present were shaping the destinies of the future. In The Cosmopolitan for October W. T. Stead, a seer who will not prophesy "smooth things for the British people," writes an article on the significance of the Coronation as opposed to that of the Conference, and incidentally claims to reveal the mental attitude of the British sovereign, and compares American institutions with those in Great Britain.

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which cannot be resisted for the settlement, forcible if necessary, of the strike of the coal miners of Pennsylvania. If President Roosevelt can persuade the operators and the miners to cease their strife and attend to the demands of the people he will become a very popular man. He will be eligible for nomination for the presidency, provided he does not give offence to the workmen, in which case the Republican party would not select him, or grieve the mine owners, who would then refuse to contribute to the party campaign fund. The latter contingency would be a very serious matter. It will take about a billion and a half to elect a Republican president at the next contest. The services of the workers are increasing in value in harmony with the constant growth in the cost of living under one fiscal system which affords "adequate protection" to native industries.

Immigration returns prepared at Ottawa show that during the year ending June the total arrivals was 67,230, as against 49,149 last year, an increase of 18,081. The arrivals for the last two months were 15,935, an increase of 7,142 over the same time last year. The immigrants from Great Britain for the two months were 3,329, an increase of 317 over the same time last year. From Continental Europe the arrivals were 5,310, an increase of 3,745. From the United States 6,720, an increase of 3,082.

The late Miss Ellen Louise Earle must have been a young lady of exceptionally attractive disposition; judging from the expressions of sorrow which her death has called forth, not only from friends of the family but from those whose acquaintance with the deceased was merely a "speaking" one. The blow must prove an exceptionally severe one to Mr. and Mrs. Earle. The Times cannot refrain from joining in the expressions of sympathy which are so general in the city for the afflicted family.

The Conservative cry for higher protective duties seems in danger of petering out. The western tour of the leaders has proved unexpectedly educative. The sentiment in the West must have been found utterly opposed to more "adequate protection." The attacks on the British

preference have, also ceased entirely. The manufacturers too have apparently decided that it would be a good idea to leave well enough alone lest a worse thing befall them. The tariff is not far wrong.

CANADIAN NEWS SERVICE.

To the Editor:—It is essential to the future welfare of our Empire, and particularly in Canada's interest, that we should have a better system of obtaining news than through the Associated Press, which, in so far as this continent is concerned, caters to the taste of the American newspaper reader and distributes news (7) through its correspondents that in a great measure is determined by the closer unity of our Empire. Information concerning anything British is so distorted that one is compelled to turn, in disgust, from one's daily paper and await the arrival of the mail from Great Britain to read the facts in a British periodical. This daily view of British matters through American spectacles can do naught but tend to keep apart the Dominion and the Motherland; and, it is therefore utterly contrary to our interests to continue to assist in maintaining a press association, the guiding principle of which would appear to be the fostering of the ridiculous idea that we are loyal to our inheritance, can, through complicity in the dissemination of false impressions of things British, be gradually educated into the belief that annexation with the United States is infinitely better than remaining the principal sister of the British Empire family.

I am glad to notice the persistency of the editor of the Vancouver World in keeping his readers constantly reminded of the "undermining of Canadian national sentiment and the fostering of annexation dreams by our neighbors to the south," which is so deliberately determined by the telegraphic information supplied by the Associated Press to its Canadian subscribers. He illustrated on September 30th, in commenting upon San Francisco dispatch referring to the Pacific cable and the ship that is laying it, the extremes to which the news agency will go in order to create the impression that everything is American or emanating from the United States.

If Australia with four million inhabitants can afford to pay for a good news service—and their despatches are more numerous and of greater length than those published in the Dominion newspapers—surely we with six millions of people can find the money for an equal if not a better system. I hope that all the newspaper men of the Dominion will combine to refuse to accept a first-class service, and I offer them the suggestion of a friend of mine, viz., that a Canadian Empire Press Syndicate be formed, and, if possible, subsidized at its inception by the British, Australian and Canadian governments, which, now that the "All-

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SEYMOUR HASTINGS O'DELL
Victoria, B. C.; 2nd October, 1902.

It is reported at Madrid that General Weyler, minister of war, will resign his position on the retiring of the chamber of deputies, in consequence of King Alfonso's refusal to sign certain military decrees which have been presented to His Majesty by General Weyler.

The nights are getting somewhat chilly. An over-heated room is not healthy. Use one of Weller Bros.' Elder Down Quilts, and you will secure ample warmth at moderate cost. A new line just in.

3-Piece Suits A Bargain for Saturday

Boys' Woisted Suits, dark grey stripe effect, 27 to 33, usual price \$6.75; Saturday \$4.75.

Boys' Norfolk Suits at \$2.50.
Grey Tweed Coat with pleats and belt, plain pants \$2.50.
Dark Brown Wool Mixed Tweed, Pants Bloomer Style \$2.50.
Brown Check, Red Shade, Tweed Suit, Belt on coat and Bloomer Pants \$2.50.
Dark Blue Serge Suit, coat with Pleats and Belt, and Pants with Buckle PRICE \$2.50.

Overcoats

Boys' Blouse Overcoats, \$2.50 \$3.75 and \$5.00.

Boys' Fawn Whipcord Coats, \$3.00.
Boys' Blue Beaver Coats, from \$3.50.
Boys' Stylish Coats, made like the Men's; Cuffs, Silt Pocket and Yoke. All Prices up to \$7.75.
Men's Stylish Overcoats \$7.50 to \$22.50.
Another New Coat came to hand this week. It's a Grey Tweed, the Special Feature is the Pleat in the Back PRICE \$15.00.

Men's Stylish Hats at \$2.50

Some New Styles received this week.

Boys' Flannelette Nightdresses

Special Value at 50c. This garment we make ourselves, and it's better value than we could buy to sell at the price.

Good Weight Flannelette Top Shirts 35c. Each.

Mantle Department

New to-day, Ladies' Full Length Jackets. The new mixed goods in Brown, Navy and Black PRICE \$12.50.
The Plaid Back Goods in Herringbone effect. PRICE \$12.50.
Plaid Back Face Cloth, Coachman Collar. PRICE \$20.00.
Tweed Effects in Greens and Greys PRICE \$12.50.
4 Ladies' Black Fur Capes, Length 25 inches. PRICE \$12.50.

SKIRTS

Black Fall Cloth Skirts, Flounce trimmed 10 rows Cording PRICE \$6.50.
Navy and Black Broadcloth Skirts. The new seam-stitched Kilted Flounce. PRICE \$15.00.

116 Students Placed in Positions

During this year thus far, and all of these boys, self-supporting, permanent situations, at full salaries. We do not send our students out to work for experience and count them as positions. Kindly understand that. Neither do we count it as a position when any student fills a two or three weeks' vacation job, that is, taking the place of a regular office hand going on a vacation.
All of our students get positions. We keep them till they do, and we do not keep anyone much beyond their time, that is, when they are able to attend to their studies without interruption, but six months' course is usually sufficient, although some may take seven, but very few.
Our evening classes begin in October with the full staff of four teachers.

The Vogel Commercial College

VANCOUVER, B. C.

'IF I HAD ONLY KNOWN'

So said a man Monday who had paid \$32 last week to get a suit made, when he accompanied a friend here who bought even a better suit of us for only \$20.
It's the same old story, as old as time, "If I had only known."

Of course, as this man said, he will know better hereafter. He will come to "Fit-Reform" next time. How is it with you? Have you saved \$10 to \$12 on a suit? Think it over! Look around, if you please, for then you will certainly buy here. "If I had only known."

FIT-REFORM, 73 Government Street.

A SMALL ORDER

For Groceries receives the same attention as a large one. Goods of equal quality go with one dollar and ten dollar lots. A child can buy here.

NO SUBSTITUTION IS PRACTISED
We sell Groceries which demand the admiration of consumers, because they deserve it.
REMEMBER WE SELL PURE GROCERIES
Try our Mocha and Java Coffee, at 40c. per lb. Positively and undeniably the best coffee in the market.
JUST ARRIVED—Fresh supply Swiss Breakfast Edam and Lyndburger Cheese.

The Saunders Grocery Co., Ltd.
PHONE 21. 29 AND 41 JOHNSON STREET.

Every Cough Means

One step nearer Consumption. Records show that this terrible disease makes its first appearance as a simple cough allowed to go unhealed. If you want a remedy that can be depended on to stop the cough, get

Bowes' Bronchial Balsam

All we've got to say about it is that if you do not like the taste or the effectiveness with which it cures, come right back and get your money. We have made this Cough Cure for years, and we know that it is a CURE, but you do not know it—so we make this guarantee in order to get you started right. Price 50c. and 25c.

CYRUS H. BOWES,
88 Government Street, Near Yates Street.
TELEPHONE 425.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Oct. 3.—5 a.m.—Perfect weather prevails in all sections throughout the Pacific slope and the Canadian Northwest. No rain has fallen and temperatures are about normal. The pressure is lowest on the coast, and a high barometer area of great extent and intensity stretches from the regions of the Rockies eastward through the Territories and the Mississippi valley to the Great Lakes.

Forecast.
For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Saturday. Victoria and vicinity—Light or moderate winds, chiefly north and east, continued fair and warm.
Lower Mainland—Light or moderate winds, fair and warm.

Reports.
Victoria—Barometer, 29.97; temperature, 56; minimum, 44; wind, 12 miles N.; weather, clear.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, 40; minimum, 40; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.10; temperature, 40; minimum, 40; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Barkerville—Barometer, 30.12; temperature, 38; minimum, 34; wind, calm; weather, clear.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, 54; minimum, 52; wind, 4 miles S.W.; weather, cloudy.

Edmonton—Barometer, 29.90; temperature, 44; minimum, 42; wind, 6 miles S.W.; weather, clear.

Fort Simpson—Barometer, 29.90; temperature, 42; minimum, 40; wind, 6 miles N.E.; weather, clear.

City News in Brief.

—Priestly's Cravette Waterproofs, 2 cases just opened; all marked to Sale Prices for cash. B. Williams & Co.

—Ask your doctor about John Labatt's London India Pale Ale and XXX Stout. Eleven gold medals for its purity. For sale by Saunders' Grocery Co., Dixie H. Ross & Co., and Erskine, Wall & Co.

—Captain F. W. Amesbury arrived from the Atlantic coast last night and will shortly open an office for the Victoria & Vancouver Stevedoring Company in the Terminal City. The captain has many friends in this city. He was here a number of years ago in charge of the Puritan, which, he says, is now in New York loading for Japan, and he has been in Victoria a few times since.

—The regular meeting of Victoria Camp, No. 52, Woodmen of the World, will be held this evening, when the usual quota of candidates will be on hand. The ceremony of initiation will be shortened as much as possible to allow of more time for social entertainment. The meetings of this camp are now looked forward to with anticipation of spending a pleasant evening. Coffee and cake will be served by the Ladies of Columbia Circle.

Do Not Be Sick

Our medicines will cure you. Our stock of pure drugs is unexcelled. The utmost care is taken in the compounding of prescriptions. Try Dr. Williams' English Cough Cure for coughs and colds. Price 50c.

F. W. FAWCETT,
Family Druggist,
Cor. Douglas Street and King's Road.

—Victorians will remember Capt. Burdall, who came here to recruit the Victoria contribution to the South African constabulary, and who commanded the khaki-clad guard of honor at the opening of the legislature a year ago last March. He has been mentioned in the dispatches for his gallant services. A dispatch says: "The militia department has received a dispatch from Mr. Chamberlain stating that Captain H. E. Burdall, formerly of Quebec, but now of the South African constabulary, was accorded 'mention' in the commander-in-chief's dispatch of the 1st of March last, which was gazetted on the 17th of June following."

A ROYAL TREAT.

The European Entertainment Company have fitted up a neat little theatre in the Dawson hotel block, Yates street, and are now showing the cynosure and other pictures, and illustrated songs by Fred Tracy. Take your best girl to see them. Only costs ten cents. Programme changes Mondays.

It Is Most Important

that you should make provision for your family in case of your death. The new guaranteed accident policy issued by the Mutual Life of Canada NOT ONLY PROTECTS YOUR FAMILY but also PROTECTS YOU in case of your inability to meet the premiums. It also affords a splendid medium of accumulating a fund for your future needs.

S. W. Bodley,
Special Agent.

R. L. Drury, Provincial Manager,
34 Broad Street.

A RUN ON
Baking Powder
Going out of this line. Quality equal to White Star.
10c. FOR 15 OZ. TIN.
HASTIE'S FAIR
17 GOVERNMENT STREET.

Kodaks and Films

—AT—
JOHN BARNESLEY & CO.
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TENNIS, BASKETBALL AND LACROSSE GOODS.

4 Big Snaps.

Large lot and cottage, Caledonia Ave., \$1,000
Lot and 7 roomed house, King's Rd., 1,400
Lot and 5 roomed house, St. James street, 1,050
2 lots and 5 roomed cottage, Oak Bay Ave., 1,100

We have 3 of these Stanley Ave. Lots

Left. The cheapest building lots in the city. Get one before they are all sold. WE SOLICIT YOUR FIRE INSURANCE.

P. C. MacGregor & Co.,
AGENTS, MACGREGOR BLOCK.

—Ten cases High-class 20th Century Suits just in; all reduced to Sale Prices. B. Williams & Co.

—Steamer Charming left Vancouver at 1.24 p. m., after connecting with the train from the East.

—The regular monthly meeting of the board of school trustees will be held next Wednesday night at the usual time.

—Thomas Lewis, an old offender, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment with hard labor for vagrancy this morning.

—Opened To-Day—A special line of ready-to-wear hats, at \$1.50, in the latest styles, at Mrs. M. A. Vigor's, 81 Douglas street.

—To meet the demands put upon the accommodation of the Imperial hotel, an extension in the way of adding another story is contemplated.

—The remains of the late John Kenny will be laid to rest to-morrow afternoon, the funeral taking place from the parlors of the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Company.

—Initiation will take place next Wednesday in Columbia Lodge, No. 2, I. O. O. F. Other business of importance to be transacted. Members are requested to attend.

—Miss Lillian Mowat, who has had such a noteworthy career as a student at the Victoria Public and High schools, leaves to-night for Vancouver, where she will attend the Normal school.

—The regular weekly Rugby football practice will be held to-morrow afternoon at the Caledonia grounds. A secretary for the intermediate league will be elected after play. A large attendance is requested.

—The regular meeting of the Laborers' Protective Union will be held to-night in Labor hall. The constitution and by-laws will be considered and also the constitution and by-laws of the Waterfront Federation. The meeting will begin at 8 o'clock.

—A hall is being given under the auspices of the Victoria West Athletic Association this evening. A first-class programme of dance music has been arranged for the occasion, and everything has been done to contribute towards an enjoyable evening.

—The intermediate and junior football players will hold a practice at the Caledonia grounds to-morrow afternoon, commencing at 3 o'clock. A large attendance is requested. Last Saturday a very successful practice was held, and it is to be hoped that to-morrow's will be equally so.

—The funeral of the late Ellen Louise Earle takes place to-morrow afternoon from the family residence, 181 Cadboro Bay road, at 2.30, and at 3 o'clock at the Metropolitan Methodist church. Religious services, appropriate to the occasion, will be conducted by Rev. Elliott S. Rowe.

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A splendid nerve tonic and builder. Manufactured by
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RAILROAD NEEDED FOR THE INTERIOR

EXPLORERS RETURNED FROM BULKLEY VALLEY

Were Trying to Find Trail From Coast Into That Part of the Province.

Messrs. J. W. McIntosh and D. McMillan, of Vancouver, who were commissioned by the provincial government to inquire into the practicability of a trail from Gardner's lake to the interior region lying to the southeast of Hazelton, came over from the mainland last evening, and this morning submitted their report to the chief commissioner of lands and works. They were away six weeks, and their tour of exploration covered a considerable area. They found that no feasible route for a trail or wagon road between that part of the coast and interior existed. While on their journey they heard of an Indian trail between Bella Coola and Ootsa lake, but they did not investigate it.

The substance of the report to the authorities appears in an account of the trip furnished by them to a Times representative in conversation this morning. They made the trip up the Skeena on the steamer Mount Royal, going as far as Hazelton, where they secured three Indian guides. From this trading post they journeyed in a southerly direction for ninety-four miles traversing the Bulkley valley. Crossing the Bulkley river they took the trail to Francis and Ootsa lakes, exploring the country in the vicinity. Between the Ootsa and Francis lakes and extending considerably eastward, they found a fine tract of open country excellently adapted for agricultural development. The soil they described as fertile, and the grass fine for grazing. One area in particular, they said, was twenty-five by ten miles, or two hundred and fifty square miles.

After having explored this region pretty thoroughly they got into canoes and went along the Bulkley river, which flows west from Ootsa lake to Tahltan lake in the coast range, a distance of twenty-eight miles. Arriving there they left their canoes, and went over the trail, through the mountains to the Kema river, which flows into Gardner's lake. From here they journeyed in canoes to Hartley Bay, where they took passage to Vancouver on the steamer Tessa.

After leaving the Bulkley valley they didn't see but little open country until they arrived in the Francis and Ootsa lakes region. There are, of course, patches of a hundred or a thousand acres here and there, but the district between the Bulkley valley and lake they report well covered with timber. The soil also they describe as rather light. Game may be found in abundance around Ootsa lake. Mountain goat, bear, prairie chickens, ducks and geese are very plentiful, while the deer are so numerous that they have trampled the grass like so many sheep.

The two explorers traversed country hitherto untried by the feet of a white man. They were told by Indians that they were the first to enter the country between the Ootsa lake and the coast range, with the exception of Father Maurice.

Asked regarding the adaptability of the region to settlement, both men emphatically expressed the opinion that a railroad was vitally necessary to bring about its development. With this great developing factor the district would prove one of the finest in the country.

Comment has been made by Messrs. McIntosh and McMillan on the insecurity of the maps reproducing the country visited by them. For instance, they speak of Tahltan lake, which is not designated on the map.

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CREDITABLE SHOOTING.
Keen Rivalry Between Crews of War Vessels in Prize Firing Contest.

The results attained on the first prize contest, considering the time she has been in commission, are such as H. M. S. Grafton will not be ashamed of by any means. The contest was recently completed and at the next competition will doubtless be improved on. The flagship carries two 9.2 guns, and these guns, in their two-minute run, made five hits out of ten shots and four hits out of eight shots respectively; while the six-inch guns, of which class ten are carried, three made six hits out of nine shots, and one gun six hits out of ten shots. The close shooting, and the distribution of the prize money (which somewhat insignificant sum was augmented by prizes given by the officers) have intensified the interest in the "men behind the gun," and there is bound to be keen competition in the future. At Comox, some of the officers have done very well in fishing; one bag in the Campbell river included six fine salmon, ranging from 40 pounds to 40½ pounds each.

According to the Navy and Military Record the cruiser Caroline, which served on this station with the Comox and other vessels fifteen or sixteen years ago, is to be converted into a training ship for boys. Correspondence to the Record from Sheerness says:

"Some work has been sent to this yard for which provision was not made when the estimates were framed. The Ganges, training ship for boys, has not been found large enough for the accommodation of the whole of the boys sent to her at Harwich, and the cruiser Caroline, which was first attached to her as a hospital ship and then for instruction in swimming, is now to be fitted out for service as an overflow ship. She has been loaned here from Harwich and there has been no delay in putting the work in hand. Her engines and boilers are being removed, and a number of alterations are to be made to adapt her for the new duties. The Caroline will be utilized for the berthing of newly-entered lads, who will afterwards be sent over to the Ganges as they advance in training. The work is to be executed as expeditiously as possible, as the Caroline is required at Harwich. The swimming bath was constructed at Chatham, when the Caroline was there last year for a refit. The cruiser was built here nearly twenty years ago; following her sister ship the Satellite, which has been lately condemned. Overtime has been sanctioned on the Caroline owing to the urgent character of the alterations, but it has been stopped in the boiler shop."

ADDRESS ON FORESTRY.
Delivered by Sir Henri Joly at a Public Meeting at New Westminster.

A public meeting was held at New Westminster on Tuesday evening under the auspices of the British Columbia Forestry Association, at which some interesting addresses were delivered.

Sir Henri Joly, in raising to speak, was enthusiastically greeted. He at once took up the subject and instanced the great losses of timber in this province occasioned by forest fires. British Columbia has fine forests, but they must be protected. We must make use of the forest for the good of our country. In Quebec, nearly all the forests are owned by the province and sections are leased to people who are allowed to cut the timber on payment of 25 cents per cord. He had been instrumental in having a charge of \$1.00 put on every cord of timber exported, but unfortunately, said Sir Henri, legislators are not considerate enough of their own province, and the legislation was recalled.

Referring to our own province there had been a great export of timber. The government—and he was pleased to see one of the members of that government present—had passed legislation putting such a duty on exported timber that it is now practically impossible to export unmanufactured cedar. He would like to see this same restriction extended to cover all our timber. (Applause.)

Sir Henri concluded, stating that these were his views regarding the forests of British Columbia. We have the forests and should preserve them to the benefit of our country. On taking his seat, Sir Henri was loudly applauded.

Hon. Mr. Prentice stated that he had taken much pleasure in the address of Sir Henri Joly and had learned much from it. Mr. Prentice is much interested in agriculture and looks upon forestry from an agriculturist's point of view. He thought the fruit tree the greatest tree in the forest. With his father and father-in-law, Mr. Prentice said he possessed over 80,000 acres of land and had about 12,000 head of cattle, but he thought that fruit would bring more profit than cattle. The raising of fruit in this province wanted more attention, for in time this would be the greatest in this province. "Take to the East of us, in the Northwest Territories and Manitoba," said he; "they cannot grow fruit. We can, and we can supply them." He had been informed that last year we had shipped 100 cars to this part of Canada. "One hundred cars is only a small amount. Why, we can supply 50,000 cars, and they can use them," said Mr. Prentice.

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FOR MALCOLM ISLAND.
Mattie Kurikka Reports That Many Finns Want to Go There.

"Mattie Kurikka came over from the mainland last night, returning from a month's tour of Washington and Oregon in the interests of the Kalavan Kansa, the Finnish colonization company, which is settling on Malcolm Island," says the Nanaimo Herald.

"Mr. Kurikka visited all the settlements in the Pacific Northwest, and met many members of the company, who are anxious to proceed at once to Malcolm Island. 'It was very difficult,' said Mr. Kurikka, 'to persuade them that they should not come at once, especially those with families,' and he was compelled to explain that at present only single men should go to the colony, as it will be impossible for the settlers to care for any more women and children for some time to come."

"The president stated that there were now several thousand members of the company ready to join the colony, but was prevented from doing so on account of the company being unable to employ and feed them at this time, and very few more will be allowed to go to the island until arrangements are made for up-to-date machinery for logging and land clearing purposes. It is expected that the profit on the logging operations will be sufficient to pay the expenses incident to clearing the land for agricultural purposes."

"The colonists are in need of a larger boat for towing logs to the coast mills, and Mr. Kurikka thinks he has concluded arrangements for securing it from Vancouver parties."

"Mr. Kurikka leaves for Vancouver this morning, where later in the day he will board the Tessa for Malcolm Island. He will be accompanied by six young Finns, members of the company, who arrived here a day or two ago from Duluth, Minn."

ADVENTURE WITH BEAR.
Dennis Harris and His Survey Party at Close Quarters to Bruin.

"Dennis Harris, C. E., and the members of his survey party who left on Monday morning had an exciting experience on their first night out in the woods," says the Nanaimo Free Press. "They had camped on Cameron mountain and after supper a bear was heard growling near the camp. The men went out with lanterns and a rifle to meet the brute, and when he saw them coming he climbed a tree. Fred Ford, who had a rifle, fired at the bear, but on account of the darkness was unable to bring it down. The thought of retiring to sleep with a hungry bear in the vicinity was not calculated to cause the party pleasant dreams, so it was decided that if the dangerous brute could not be brought down at once he must be kept up in the tree all night. To insure that the bear's location would not be changed during the night a fire was built around the foot of the tree and a member of the party assigned to the work of keeping it bright till morning."

"When morning dawned there was still a haze and the bear had not ventured down. Mr. Ford then brought him down with a couple of bullets from his Winchester. It was a fine looking brute and the hide has been sent to Victoria to be dressed, when it will be presented to Mr. Harris as a souvenir of the survey trip."

CHINAMAN HANGS HIMSELF.
Body of Ah Low Found Suspended to a Beam This Morning.

Dependent because of the threatened seizure of his home in Canton, China, by a mortgagee, Ah Low, a cook employed by a Chinese, a tailor on the corner of Douglas and Pender streets, hanged himself. His body was found this morning, and after the police was notified was removed to the morgue. An inquest will be held to-morrow.

The unfortunate Oriental was apparently in good health and spirits last night, although it is understood he has been worried lately over the imminent loss of his home in China, where his wife lives. He has been seen about 11.30 a.m. and left the place of his employment about that time. This morning when a Chinaman named Ah Low opened the back door and looked out the first object that met his gaze was the inanimate form of his compatriot suspended to a beam across the two fences at the side of the yard. He was hanging by a piece of red cloth.

He was at once released, and on being asked the owner of the premises, and it is said a cousin of the suicide, sent for. He in turn notified the police, and being Walker and Constable Handley went down and took possession of the body, which was removed to the morgue, where it now lies. Besides being employed as a cook he has been learning tailoring at Chung Kee's establishment.

He was twenty-four years of age, and came here four months ago. The name of the eliot was not securely under his neck. This was exactly the position of the noose tree on Yates street a couple of years ago. There were two bodies in the morgue this morning, the other being that of John Kenny, the night watchman of the O. P. N. Co., whose body was found in his room at the Empress hotel yesterday afternoon. An inquest is in progress this afternoon.

LUMBER SHIPMENTS.
(Special to the Times.)
Cheminade, Oct. 3.—The foreign shipments of lumber from Cheminade during September were: Emily Reid, for Capetown, 2,210,387 feet; Antonietta, for Chili, 787,633 feet; Lake Lemna, for Chili, 850,587 feet. The Chilean bark Antofagasta has completed taking cargo of 62,180 feet of lumber for Chili, and expects to tow out to-day.

The American ship John A. Briggs, now on the Sound, and the American schooner Balboa, now discharging sulphur in Victoria, are chartered to load here.

The American schooner Prosper and the German bark Helios are also on the way to load at Cheminade.

The Norwegian ship Atlantic arrived here on the 20th September and is lying out in the bay discharging ballast.

THE WESTSIDE

VICTORIA'S BEST DRY GOODS STORE. OCTOBER 3, 1902.

MORE NEW JACKETS

The contents of six cases of Ladies' Stylish Fall Jackets will be displayed in our Mantle Rooms to-morrow for your inspection and approval. Every lady should see them, they are the smartest and most beautiful garments that have come to us this season. The arrival of such a cascade of Parisian and Berlin beauty will take precedence. With all their fascinating elegance they are moderately priced.

Four Special Offers for Saturday

Ladies' New Kersey Cloth Jackets, semi-fitting box front, Special ... \$5.00

Ladies' Three-Quarter Grey Cloth Jackets, corded front and back, double breasted, fitting coat style. The very latest ... \$8.50

Ladies' Three-Quarter Fawn Beaver Coat, double breasted, fitting back, turn back cuffs, profusely stitched ... \$9.00

Ladies' Handsome Beaver Cloth Jacket, fancy stitched yoke, handsomely finished. Special ... \$12.00

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A limited amount of stock still left, at 25c per share

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Shares absolutely non-assessable and fully paid up. Prospectus on application.

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LEGAL NEWS.
Several Applications Disposed of in Chambers To-Day.

The following applications were disposed of in Chambers this morning before the Hon. Mr. Justice Martin:

B. C. Cold Storage vs. Canadian Bank of Commerce—This was an application for an order that the Pacific Cold Storage Company be added as a defendant. Application stood over until Monday next. F. Higgins for plaintiff, J. H. Lawson contra.

Johie Fire Mining Co. vs. Last Chance Mining Co.—Application for an order postponing the trial of the action. Application stood over until Monday. A. P. Lutton for plaintiff, J. H. Lawson for defendant.

Stevens vs. Williams—An action on appeal from the Territorial courts of the Yukon Territory to the Supreme court

